

YMCA CAMP WOODSTOCK: 2010 LIT REFERENCE FORM

The applicant listed below has applied to the Leader-In-Training Program at YMCA Camp Woodstock and has chosen you as a reference. The primary purpose of this intensive, four-week program is to teach leadership skills that will benefit the LIT in school, home and community. The experience is designed to teach leadership skills like communication, decision-making, conflict resolution, and American Red Cross Lifeguard training to teens that are ready for something beyond regular resident camping. These skills are taught through many activities such as discussions, teambuilding challenges, speakers and actual leadership opportunities, all the while emphasizing the YMCA's core values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility. **Since the applicant will be working directly with children as part of the training, it is very important to us to select capable teens as Leaders-In-Training.**

This form will be kept confidential. Please mail or fax this form to us directly. Thank you for your time.

Applicant's Name: _____

Reference's Name: _____

How long have you known the applicant? _____ In what capacity? _____

Please circle the appropriate comment for the specified LIT.

Strongly Agree (SA), Agree (A), Neutral (N), Disagree (D), Strongly Disagree (SD) and Not Applicable (NA)

Uses effective communication skills	SA	A	N	D	SD	NA
Uses effective and appropriate assertiveness skills	SA	A	N	D	SD	NA
Practices good listening skills	SA	A	N	D	SD	NA
Practices good decision-making skills	SA	A	N	D	SD	NA
Positive role model for peers	SA	A	N	D	SD	NA
Demonstrates leadership qualities	SA	A	N	D	SD	NA
Takes advantage of leadership opportunities	SA	A	N	D	SD	NA
Demonstrates self-respect and self-confidence	SA	A	N	D	SD	NA
Respectful of others	SA	A	N	D	SD	NA
Amiable, avoids cliques	SA	A	N	D	SD	NA
Maintains a positive attitude	SA	A	N	D	SD	NA
Cooperative as a team player	SA	A	N	D	SD	NA
Responsible for following rules, policies, procedures and schedules	SA	A	N	D	SD	NA
Recognizes oneself as a role model	SA	A	N	D	SD	NA
Uses appropriate language	SA	A	N	D	SD	NA
Is caring	SA	A	N	D	SD	NA
Is helpful	SA	A	N	D	SD	NA
Demonstrates responsibility	SA	A	N	D	SD	NA
Expresses emotions appropriately	SA	A	N	D	SD	NA
Practices effective and appropriate anger management skills	SA	A	N	D	SD	NA

What specific reason(s) would you give for accepting this individual into the program?

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What are his or her strengths as a positive leader/role model in his or her community?

In what ways does this individual need to mature as a positive leader/role model in his or her community?

If you were a parent, would you be comfortable knowing that the applicant might eventually become your child's counselor? Why or why not?

Do you know any reason why this applicant should not be working with the campers? Please explain thoroughly. Again, this will be kept confidential.

Thank you for completing this reference. Please note that incomplete references may affect the applicant's acceptance. Feel free to provide additional comments on a separate sheet of paper.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please mail this reference form directly to:

YMCA Camp Woodstock
Attn: Youth Leadership Director
42 Camp Rd.
Woodstock Valley, CT 06282

OR fax this reference form to: (860) 974-0754, Attn: Youth Leadership Director